

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
Tribal Court Room  
7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
June 28, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:33 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Marvin Mulholland

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Absent: Treasurer Gerald Chingwa

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Gaming Board of Directors Office Manager-Cathy Portman, Gaming Board of Directors Chairperson-Carol McFall, Director of Finance-Scott Cannady, Oppenheimer Representative Eben Perison

Guests: Ken Harrington, Cathy Shomin

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Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt the agenda for June 28, 2009 with additions.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the minutes of June 14, 2009 as corrected.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Tribal Elders Comments: no comments at this time.

9:42 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

12:07 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

12:07 p.m. Public comment opened: no comments.

12:07 p.m. Public comment closed.

12:07 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:47 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Councilor McNamara absent.

1:50 p.m. Councilor McNamara arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein for June 28, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Councilor Kiogima's verbal and written Land and Reservation Chairperson's report for June 28, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Councilor Harrington, Jr.'s verbal report regarding the Tribal Youth Jiimaan journey for June 28, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for June 28, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal and written Executive Report for June 28, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

2:41 p.m. Recess called.

2:50 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr. to adopt Tribal Resolution Acceptance of Residual Interest Distribution under Public Law 105-143.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes,

Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-absent, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment list A - Eligible for Citizenship dated May 22, 2009 for a total of 5.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment list B – Declination (Ineligible) dated May 22, 2009 for a total of 6.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to acknowledge the receipt of Enrollment list C - Voluntary Relinquishment dated May 22, 2009 for a total of 1.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: Cathy Shomin spoke regarding Casino surveillance. Ken Harrington spoke regarding his attendance with the Youth Jiimaan Journey.

3:12 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to pass Tribal Citizens and North American Indian Preference in Tribal Employment Statute.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-no, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-absent, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to post to the Legislative Calendar the Department of Education and Cultural Learning Center Draft Statute.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to post the Civil Traffic Draft Statute to the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Harrington, Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor McNamara)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to add to the Legislative Calendar, Burial Grounds Proposed Legislation.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 – No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor McNamara)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve the revised Compensation, Stipend and Travel Policy for Tribal Council.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to refuse casino access to local assessors until a legal memorandum is prepared by the Legislative Services Attorney.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

4:10 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Chingwa)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

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Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date